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WEATHER.—Fair in western, snow in eastern portion tonight, much colder. Thursday fair except snow flurries in the northeast portion, colder in eastern portion.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1908.

Democratic Circuit Court Judicial Convention.

The Democrats of the Third judicial circuit of Ohio are hereby notified to meet in delegate convention at Lima, O., on Thursday, the 27th day of February, 1908, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of nominating a candidate for circuit judge.

The apportionment of delegates has been fixed on a basis of one delegate and one alternate for every 100 votes, or fraction of 50 or over, cast for Hon. S. A. Hoskins, candidate for secretary of state in 1906.

Under this apportionment the counties are entitled to the following of the several counties:

Allen, 41; Auglaize, 39; Hardin, 26; Mercer, 31; Union, 23; Crawford, 41; Henry, 29; Paulding, 25; Van Wert, 33; Defiance, 30; Logan, 22; Putnam, 35; Wyandot, 23; Hancock, 37; Marion, 39; Seneca, 42.

Total number of delegates, 520.

The delegates to said convention shall be selected in such manner as may be determined by the committees of several counties.

The following are the temporary officers of said convention:

Temporary Chairman—Hon. D. D. Donovan, of Henry county.

Temporary Secretary—Hon. Emanuel E. Ford, of Mercer county.

Assistant Secretary—Hon. N. E. Webster, of Paulding county.

Sergeant-at-Arms—August Smith, of Auglaize county.

By order of the Democratic circuit court committee.

W. W. DURBIN, Chairman.

CHARLES E. JORDAN, Secretary pro tem.

Feb. 26 In History.

1802—Victor Hugo, the French novelist and lyric poet, born at Besancon; died 1885.
1815—Napoleon escaped from Elba to invade France and reascend the throne. His household and a small bodyguard secretly embarked on vessels forming the feet of his petty realm. No help was given at this stage by outsiders.
1878—Angelo Secchi, Italian astronomer, died in Rome; born 1818.
1897—David L. Prouditt, well known poet and author, died in New York city; aged 53.
1907—Honduras declared war against Nicaragua; battle at San Marcos de Colon.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS:

Tonight and Tomorrow Morning.
Sun sets 5:45, rises 6:32. Moon rises 3:25 a. m. Moon's age, 25 days.

BRYAN AS A LEADER

The endorsement of Mr. Bryan by the democratic state central committee is not altogether relished by Roscoe Carle, editor of The Post-Tribune, who because of his ardent love (?) for Bryan would save him from a third defeat by withholding from him the nomination.

After doing the dying swan act, he regales the voters of this district with these suggestions:

"On our side we respect the candidacy of John Sharp Williams, have our eye on Johnson of Minnesota, can perceive that Mayor Johnson of Cleveland may loom up some day, admire Gov. Folk, and above all regard W. L. Douglas of Massachusetts as more available than Mr. Bryan."

We cannot believe editor Carle is really serious, for in the same editorial he speaks of a "dead Jefferson" and a "dead Andrew Jackson."

Might as well talk about a dead Declaration of Independence and a dead Constitution.

If we recollect rightly, four years ago, the story of Parker was set to this strain of Carle, and the "band wagon" turned out to be a "hearse."

We have no quarrel with Carle

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over Williams, the Johnsons, Folk and Douglas. Each is the pride of a live democracy. None of them excels Bryan in purity of purpose and life, ability in statesmanship and leadership. He surpasses them one and all in the devotion, number and enthusiasm of his followers.

When on every hand the rank and file of republicans proclaim Bryan as the next president; when the precinct and county leaders of the opposition everywhere fear for results with him as our leader; when a republican legislature in Ohio unanimously send him an invitation to address their body on questions of moment; and when propositions advanced by Bryan today are appropriated by Roosevelt tomorrow; then is not the time for the house of Carle to croak gloomy forebodings.

"Old things have passed away." Mark Hanna is dead. It took the master collector and organizer to win in 1896 and 1900. Disorganization, growing from years of laziness, everywhere marks the defeat of the republican party. Principles, vindicated and vivified by the rapid strides of events, point to democratic victory.

Clay is reputed to have said that he would rather be right than be president. Bryan will be both. Democracy has learned, it is to be hoped, though some few democrats are blind to the fact, that it is better to be right all of the time, than to be victorious part of the time.

Editor Carle will feel better if he ponders the sentiment expressed by Matthew Arnold:

"Because these things, right and wrong, are really what do govern politics and save or destroy states, the few who keep insisting on the good of righteousness and the unprofitableness of iniquity are the only real politicians."

Even from the standpoint of filthy spoils and so-called practical politics, Mr. Bryan is the only man to nominate. In 1894 Stephen Harris was elected to Congress from this district and Judge Price defeated Judge Norris in this strongly democratic judicial circuit. That was under the Cleveland administration. From 1896 to 1902 with Bryan leading the democracy we were represented in Congress by Dr. Norton, who was each time elected by hand-some majorities. Then came the reaction. Some of our party began to chafe after false gods. Jackson went to Congress in 1902. The New York World, the organ of the silk stocking democracy, backed by western leaders, who were more interested in getting up to the picnic counter, than in the success of democratic principles, nominated Alton B. Parker. The result! Every county in the district suffered enormous democratic losses. Mouser went to Congress. Huron, another republican was elected to the Circuit bench. Seneca County gave a republican plurality for Roosevelt of 534, and half of her county ticket met defeat, though the county is normally 1000 democratic. Sandusky county gained more than 900 for the republican head of the ticket and elected republicans to the county offices though normally democratic by 500 or more. Erie County went republican by over 2100, a loss for democracy of over 1400 votes, and every democratic candidate on the county ticket was defeated. In Crawford, where democratic majorities normally range from 2000 to 2500, the lead was cut to less than 1200 for the head of the ticket. Wyandot County showed a republican gain of 500 for the head of the ticket, the county going for Parker by the small plurality of 94. We come last to Marion County. Not a county official elected by the democracy. The head of the ticket republican by almost 900.

The tale is sad but true. Why did it happen? Every school boy knows. Because real democrats lost faith in our pretensions.

We will not this fall repeat the story.

New York society women are just now having quite a discussion over the merits of vivisection. It appears to us to be about time to "cut it out."

One would think from Ralph Cole's determined fight in the Eighth district that he was a member of the Cannon committee on rules.

Speaker Baggeson's appointment of Welker, of Canton, a man who

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oppose investigations especially when George B. Cox is to be investigated, a member of the Cincinnati Lexow committee indicated that he has been with Speaker Cannon and learned of him.

A young man shot himself in the head at Sheephead Bay. He evidently did not believe the old saw, "Two heads are better than one if one is a Sheephead."

If Senator Meek succeeds in substantiating his charges, Ohioans will no longer "point with pride" to her public school system, but will begin "viewing with alarm."

Raymond Hitchcock's trial has again been postponed. If it were Nat Goodwin the people would think little of it for audiences have become used to waiting for Nat to start the play.

William Jennings Bryan and Governor Folk, both in Ohio in one week. It begins to look as though the coming campaign would be worth while. Governor Folk is just getting onto the ropes though.

Three children in New York city played with a gas stove, using it as a trolley car and were asphyxiated. They never could have imagined they were on a Marion trolley car when they were passing into the happy hunting grounds.

The Supreme Court has held that the Elkins and Hepburn laws are both in effect and that the passing of the last did not repeal the first. The Standard Oil company will please take notice and trump up some other reason for not paying its fine of \$29,240,000.

What Others Say.

SEEING VS. BEING.

The word "dancing" appeared in a report from Chesnut Ridge of a birthday party published in the Union last week and the family at whose house the affair to place were displeased because of it. They are members of the Methodist Protestant church and do not indulge in such frivolity. People who report such affairs for the newspapers should be careful how they express themselves. A word used thoughtlessly may sometimes cause a lot of trouble. Baltimore County Union.

The advice is good. But in this particular instance the reporter has not been made out a falsifier. It is a question of veracity, with the chances of truth on the side of the scribe. There are a great many people who like to do unchurchly things but hate to be found out.—Lancaster Examiner.

Even so. Most newspapers can recall a few instances, at least, where in report of social events, it has been specially requested that no mention be made of the fact that there was dancing or that card games were on.

So also most people can recollect of themselves being or seeing others at places or under conditions and surroundings away from home that neither would thoroughly enjoy being made subject of comment or general knowledge at home.

The disposition to regard certain things only as offenses when the doing of them may be discovered or known to others is more widely prevalent than most of us care to admit.

Many a man gets "soused" away from home and thinks he is none the worse for it if he is not discovered. From what one hears, sees or knows it may also be believed that there are many individuals who are long on professions of attachment for abstinence in drink and who are vociferous in behalf of local option or of absolute prohibition as

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to the liquor traffic, who would never in the wide world give voice, vote or influence in behalf of any such measure. If they really believed it would in any wise interfere with their habit of private nipping at the drug store, or wetting their whistle from the bottle, jig or case kept at home in abundance "for medicinal purposes only."

But harking back to the subject of dancing, and the objection raised to the report that it was a feature at a social function at this Chesnut Ridge birthday party in a household where the people "are members of the Methodist Protestant church and do not indulge in frivolity," the all important information is lacking as to whether the dancing really took place.

Possibly, as in some other localities, the dancing really occurred disguised under a more euphemistic term. We have known of homes in this county where the family organ that seldom has emitted strains other than of music found in the hymn books has occasionally ground out "Money Musk," or "Turkey in the Straw," or where, in absence of musical instruments, a merry company has sung or whistled that famous musical composition: "Hey, Jim Along, Jim Along Josey," for half an hour at a stretch, while there was a wild cavorting, genuflection and posturing by young men and maidens—and sometimes by gay old boys and elderly dames—but as the "Virginia Reel" on these occasions was usually decorously denominated a "Presbyterian Walk Around" it was not "dancing."

"What's in a name," anyhow? Mansfield News.

A BABY.

Take a good healthy baby about two months old—a plump, fat fellow who is growing nicely—just after the nurse has given him his bath, and before he is arrayed in his finery—or rather when he is arrayed in the finest of finery, the pink skin of health. Spread a warm cloth across your knees and lay him upon it. And ten loog at him and marvel at the wonders of God and the possibilities of the ten or twelve pounds of squirming life that rests upon you.

You will note that he is out of proportion. His trunk is entirely too long for his legs. If you want to compare him with a mature person. His head is large and unwieldy—too large for the neck, if you desire to consider yourself a criterion by which to be governed in your comparison. If he had as much strength in his legs and body as he has in his head, he could get up and run around the room. If he is always to take as little interest in the world as he seems to take as he winks and blinks and twists and squirms, the world could get along without him, of course.

But if you have any poetry in your soul, if you can get away from the art of making a living and measuring all things by their capacity to earn something—if you can sit and look at the baby, and feel his flesh, and wonder and dream about him—then you will see in the naked youngster the most beautiful flower that grows in the garden of love.

The texture of his skin will be a revelation to you in fabrics. His coloring, varying with every emotion—now pale, now pink, now an angry red as he is pleased or displeased and the little heart sends the blood to the surface where it can be seen through the transparent skin—will impress you as you have never before been impressed by the pigments. The eyes, sparkling drops of liquid ingenuity, seeing, yet not comprehending, like one beholding the beauties of the heavens upon a star-light. The feet poised in the air for a moment, the arms in the most graceful of awkward positions, the toothless gums, the silky hair-curls—was ever there a more curious thing brought down from heaven than the baby?

And so wisely has nature prepared him for creating in the human heart that love which is divine. His very helplessness is the mightiest tie that is known—the strongest thing that can be imagined. Because of it, cowards become brave men when the weak infant is threatened. Trembling women, at the sight of an infant in danger, brave the tempests or fly in the face of the most cruel of animals. Self sacrifice becomes a pleasure when the babe is concerned, and never are the muscles of the mother relaxed until she knows her child is safe.

But stranger still than all of these things is the potential possibilities of the infant. Living there in his helplessness, so frail that a breath of air may chill him and cause his death, he may grow to manhood and harness the elements and play with them as he will later play with his rattle. He may become a leader of men, a maker of history, a terror to the evil-doers of the world because of his gentle wisdom or his iron rule. Nothing has ever been accomplished by a human being that may not be accomplished by him. No fanciful dream has ever been dreamed, but he may turn into a reality. Do men dream of an end of war? Here may be the master who will end war? Do men dream of understanding the mysteries of heaven? Here may be the philosopher to interpret them? Do men dream of banishing disease from the world? Here may be the physician who will banish disease? Do men dream of eradicating poverty and human misery, and want? Here may be the scholar who will devise the system.

To this unknown machine, to this combination of reason and emotion, to this possible conqueror of the hearts of his fellows and therefore the ruler of the world, as he lies wiggling upon the knees, salute him. Salute him whether he is found in a humble shack or in a palatial mansion. Worship at his shrine while yet he is young, in the end that you may have to cross an ocean to behold him, or plead to be able to kiss the hem of his garment when he comes into his kingdom.

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COMMUNICATION.

It should be known of all men that we will soon have famine for goods in this country. You know that the jobbers have no stocks to speak of. Orders were long ago to a great extent countermanded, and the merchants failed to fully stock up, and have been selling out what was on hand at low prices, and the demand is not half supplied. Manufacturers have been idle and the necessary amount of goods have not been made with which to supply the necessities of the people. The dealers not having stocked up and the manufacturers having decreased the output of goods, and with a demand commensurate to the actual wants of the people, will come an unsupplied want that will send the prices skyward in certain lines at least of manufactured articles without supplying the great demand caused by such famine. When there is a gross supply of goods on hand with plenty of money to buy with, yet that money hoarded, or monopolized, by certain institutions, so the same does not circulate among the great masses, hard times and panic is not caused by a lack of confidence as falsely believed, but is the direct result of such hoarding by individuals and the direct monopolizing by such institutions, with mainly the full purpose and intent, to increase business profit and nothing else to speak of. As long as such monopolization is permitted to exist a sort of Trust and nothing else just so long will the masses suffer want at the expense of the comparative few who are doing this. There is no lack of business confidence about it, but an inextinguishable desire for gain, which for a better name we call Greed.

The idea of the panic being caused by a lack of business confidence is wholly untrue. It was caused by that GREED for GAIN of which I have just spoken and nothing else. Lack of confidence was not the cause, but the result of wild speculation at the stock and in some non-vociferous centers. The sufferers mainly were the innocent ones, as they most always are, but these conditions are fast passing and only retarded, by those who desire to make a big profit out of existing conditions. I know who they are and so do you, plainly speaking, they are BIG and LITTLE WALL STREETS all over the country, and by these I do not mean the dealers in money only, but let every one examine himself and see. "Whoever is without sin let him cast the first stone." We are all short, in our acts. The present conditions from facts are and have been absolutely unnecessary. What are some of the facts? The three products petroleum, cotton and food stuffs for the past month have brought in the American people from foreign trade alone, more than \$20,000,000,000. More than the same month last year as shown by statistics. This makes an income for these products alone for that month, of about \$130,000,000.00. Now if we add to this the exports of manufactured articles amounting to a large sum of money, and further take into account, the fact that the great falling off of luxurious imports, thereby resulting in the greater use of American manufactured goods, and the keeping and distributing of this money among the Manufacturers at home and thus employing labor at home but excuse a divergence, instead of their continuing to thus employ labor, it was and is now unemployed, to the great detriment of the Merchants and consuming masses and will result in the overworking of labor at extremely low wages, because when a man has practically nothing to live on after being out of work, he will work for practically nothing rather than to starve and see his family suffer. Soon will come the FAMINE of goods spoken of above. No man should be a pessimist. Pessimism has also contributed to the present conditions, at least af-

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ter those conditions were well under way. I want to say and say it in emphasized words, for the outlook is brightening before us, because there is reason for it, business is reviving again in almost every department throughout the country, because there is a big and legitimate demand for it; there are more people to be fed, clothed and housed in the United States and elsewhere than ever before, and we are here to help to it, at least try to do our share of it. Let all men take hold and bring about a better and greater equality among the different branches of industry. In other words live and let live, and don't be "a hog about it" and "A dog about it," that is want it all, and take it all whether you can use it or not. Let Optimism be the better and guide in this hour of our country's conditions, rich in all that people require or needs only waiting for the industrious hand, the unselfish brain and the returns of the great mind and energy and push to produce these riches for the happiness and prosperity, in equality of all of the people, let us quit lying, quit cheating, quit defrauding, and get up to the fatherhood of God and down to the brotherhood of man.

Yours for Prosperity and Happiness of all the people equally.

M. B. CHASE.

ROOSEVELT SAYS STILLINGS WILL NOT BE RE-INSTATED

Washington, Feb. 25.—Charles A. Stillings will not be restored to duty as public printer, President Roosevelt yesterday let this fact be known to friends, who talked with him concerning the tangle in the government establishment.

The report of W. S. Rositer will be made to the president within a week. It is expected. He had communicated some of his findings to the president, and these are said to substantiate the charges which resulted in the suspension of Mr. Stillings.

WANT DEPOSE

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on record in favor of a movement to make corrupt bossism impossible to Ohio. Continuing, the resolution says:

"The will of the general assembly has been thwarted by the speaker of the house, who has appointed on the committee a man who, from its inception two years ago, has opposed the investigation in every possible manner and who has wantonly insulted the senator from Erie, Mr. Drake, and other members of the senate by a resolution he recently introduced in the house.

"It has been commonly charged that arrangements were made by the bosses of Cincinnati with the brother of a great, high minded statesman, now much before the public eye, that no further investigation should take place. I have the best of reasons for believing this charge is true.

"Be that as it may, a determined effort was made in the house to defeat this investigation. To the credit of the Republican members, be it said, many of them absolutely refused to cringe to the party lash, and the effort was unavailing. The action of Speaker Engleson now entirely vindicates, if vindication be necessary, the action of the senate two years ago in defeating the joint investigating resolution and passing the senate resolution. The

then speaker, Carmel A. Thompson, received all the support for secretary of state that Boss George B. Cox could give him, and it remains to be seen what the reward will be.

Representative Welker of Canton, whose appointment by Engleson raised such a storm, added fuel to the flame. He issued a statement in which he said he says he has hopes the house will rescind the appointments and then kill the move for a new committee.

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